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SUBJECT: TERRORIST FINANCE - OTTAWA: GOC LISTING OF HIG  
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REF: A. STATE 109398

[1](#)B. OTTAWA 1703

Classified By: Wendy Moore, Economics Counselor, Ottawa. Reason: 1.4(e).

[1](#)1. (S) Foreign Affairs welcomed reftel message requesting a delay in announcing the domestic designation of HIG but that decision would not take effect or become public until on or after June 24. They expect that Cabinet Ministers will approve the proposal to proceed at the June 14 meeting on designating HIG domestically. The Cabinet Committee approval results in a recommendation to the Treasury Board Secretariat to confirm the decision. Once the Treasury Board Secretariat has acted the decision is forwarded for approval by the Governor General (the Queen's representative in Canada) and is then listed in the Canada Gazette (the Federal Register equivalent) at which time it becomes law and becomes public. The process takes about 10 days, which should result in the HIG designation being made public on or after June 24. Note: By regulation the Canada Gazette must be published every week. It tends to come out about every three days. End note.

[1](#)2. (S) The GOC is committed to proceeding expeditiously because HIG is active in Canada and has targeted Canadian troops in Afghanistan. This is not an abstract exercise and they are eager to be in a position to take action against HIG finances and activities in Canada. However, they plan to proceed with notification to the UN 1267 Committee only in coordination with "partners." When asked, the partner they have specifically in mind is the U.S., and they will not try to designate HIG internationally until we are ready to do it jointly.

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